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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.

Edinburgh, Monday June 18, 1722.

From the Evening Post, June 12.

Since our last arrived one Mail from Holland, and one from France.

Leghorn, May 24.

SEveral Spanish Officers enlist here Men of all Nations, whom together with great many Recruits from Switzerland, who arrive here daily, they send by Sea to Barcelona; a Spanish Vessel loaded with Gun Powder, which in the late Storm ran a ground upon our Coast, being got afloat again, sailed for Portolongone; the Garrison of that Place consists now of 2000 Men.

Altena, June 12. According to our Letters from Petersburg, the Russian Emperor is gone from Molcow, some say to Astracan, where he will tarry but a Fortnight, and then repair to Petersburg. Mr. Westphalin Envoy of the Court of Denmark, being asked several Questions by the Russian Ministers, concerning the Exemptions of Toll for the Russian Ships in the Sound; answered he had no Instructions on that Head. Here is Advice from Dantzick, that Prince Repnin, Governour of Riga, had received Orders to add 100 Workmen more to those employed in building of a fine Castle, within two Leagues of Riga, not far from Fort Dunamunde; 'tis thought that fine Palace, when finished, will be the Residence of the Duke of Holstein.

Brussels, June 17. The East India Ship, called the City of Ghant, arrived two Days ago at Ostend, with a rich Loading, consisting of Silks, Coffee, and other Merchandizes, by which the Owners expect to get at least 40 per Cent Profit.

London, June 12. Last Saturday Mr. James Muller a Swede, was committed to Newgate, for Writing Sedition in his News Letter lately.

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From the London Journal, June 9.

Since the Arrival of ſome Diſpatches at the Court of Copenhagen from the Czar, 'tis obſerved, That they ſlacken in their Naval Preparations; and there are many who believe, That nothing conſiderable will be done in the Baltic this Summer, notwithſtanding all the great Preparations which have been made. Thirty Wen of War and a great Number of Gallies are fitting out at Petersburg, as alſo ſeveral Frigates and Gallies at Archangel.

The Marquis de Lede has been treated with uncommon Reſpect at the Court of Paris, and the City has ſtrove to out do the Court in their Civillities to him: He has Leave from the King of Spain to be abſent for ſix Months, and no one doubts but he is intruſted with ſome ſecret and important Commiſſion. He left Paris the 7th Inſtant, and is ſaid to be gone to Flanders. If we can credit our Letters from that Side, 'tis the Regent's earneſt Deſire to deliver up the Crown in Peace to his Majeſty, and as clear as poſſible of Debt.

The Troops deſigned to guard the Coaſts of Spain are already arrived at their Reſpective Poſts. Some Frigates at Majorca, as its given out are to join the Squadron which the States General have ſent into the Mediterranean againſt the Rovers of Barbary.

The German Miniſtry ſtill continue attentive of the Steps of Spain, and they have determined to ſend more Troops into Italy.

The Court of Florence continues to fortify their Sea Port Towns, and are convoying a great Number of Men: None are admitted into Garriſon, but ſuch whoſe Fidility may be depended upon. 'Tis further ſaid, the Great Duke of Tuſcany is reſolved, without the Privity of France and Spain; to declare one of the Electoral Princes of Bavaria Succeſſor to his Dominions; but this is not greatly to be relyed on.

London, June 9. The following Ships of War that were pay'd laſt Year, are ordered to be recalled, viz. The Montague, Dunkirk, Blaſtbomb, Deptford, Salisbury, Lynn, Speedwell Bomb, Monk, Dorſetſhire, York, Suffolk, Worceſter, Medway, Goſport, Prince Frederick, Dartmouth, Defiance, Monmouth, Bedford Galley, Friendſhip, Guernſey, Kingſale, Portmahon, Pool Fireſhip, Squirrel, Experiment, Henrietta Yacht, Mary, Garland, Phœnix, Newcaſtle, Chiceſter, Revenge, St. Albans, Fornace Bomb, Sandwich, Gloceſter, Buckingham, Nottingham, Elizabeth, Lively, Portſmouth, Hoſpital, Bedford, Roſe, Flamborough, Hampſhire, Warwich, Dover and Sheerneſs.

Recruits will in a ſhort time be ſent over to Gibraltar, to recruit the three Regiments of Meridith, Piory and Cotton, now in Garriſon there.

From the Weekly Journal, June 9.

The laſt Letters from Moſcow, brought Advice, That the Preparations for the Aſtracan Expedition were continued, and that they were buſy in embarking the Troops and 300 Field Pieces. The Czar has publiſhed a Manifeſto, containing a ſort of Declararion of War againſt the Rebel Tartars.

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The Acknowledgment of the Czar as Emperor of Ruſſia is ſtill a Matter in ſuſpence with Sweden; but they write from Stockholm, as an Obſervation made there, That the Muſcovite Miniſter is look'd upon of late with a more favourable Eye at that Court than when he at firſt entred upon this Negociation.

We are informed from Vienna, That tho' the Czar has given Aſſurance to the Imperial Court, That he will not take any Steps, which are contrary to his Engagement with the Emperor; yet it has been judged adviſable to ſend ſome Imperial Troops towards the Frontiers of Poland, to obſerve the Motions of the Ruſſian Troops. A ſtrong Inſtance of the general Diffidence that ſpreads it ſelf among the European Powers!

They are alarmed at Malaga, by a Barque from Ceuta, with a Report, That the Moors deſign to make a Deſcent either on Murcia or Valentia, to revenge their Loſſes in the ſeveral Battels given them by the Marquis de Lede in 1720, when he obliged them to raiſe the Seige of Ceuta. In Contradiction of this Menace the raging Famine in Morocco is to be conſidered.

Letters from Berlin adviſe, That the King of Pruſſia had not yet entred into any Engagement with the Czar: And that the Miniſters of England and Denmark had repreſented to him, that he could not make a private Treaty with the Czar, without diſturbing the Repoſe of the Princes of Germany.

They write from Paris, That the Duke of Berwick has been there ſome few Days; but that he will be ſent upon an extraordinary Embaſſy to the Court of Madrid.

The Daniſh Fleet continues in Readineſs to ſail upon the firſt Orders, but the fitting out the large Men of War to reinforce it, has been put off; and it is reported, that even ſome of the largeſt which are now in Commiſſion will be laid up, from which it is ſuppoſed, that nothing conſiderable will be done in the Baltick this Summer.

London, June 9. We hear that a great Number of Foxes have been ſeen in and about this Town of late; 'tis obſerveable, That theſe are a Species of Foxes which are not hunted, though, above all, they deſerve to be deſtroy'd; for they hunt other innocent and defenceleſs Creatures; they frequent Coffee-Houſes, and all publick Aſſemblies, and are not eaſily known, becauſe they generally appear in Sheep or Lamb Skins: They do not purſue Game by the Scent or Eye, like other Beaſts of Prey, but by the Ear. Their Cuſtom is to liſten for their Prey, and when theſe have ſet it, large Gray Hounds are let looſe to run it down; they are very keen at the Sport: One of them has been ſeen poaching near the Cocoa-Tree in Pall-Mall, expecting ſome Game there.

SIR, *May* 29, 1722.

FRIDAY Night laſt at Trowbridge was found concealed in the Presbyterian Meeting-Houſe, under the Pulpit, two Anchors and a half of Brandy; which, being diſcovered, was ſeized by the Exciſeman of that Town, and carried away; the honeſt Gentlemen of that Place would beg Leave to know of the Concealer, whether this Way of cheating his Majeſty of his Revenue, is all the Gratitude they can pay him for his Indulgence to their ſcrupulous Conſciences? And whether this Liquor was either lodged in that Place to revive the Spirits of a dwindling Congregation, or to animate my Lord H - - t's Friends there with Courage againſt the enſuing Election for that County.

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An EPIGRAM wrote on it.

A Canting Presbyterian Priest, o'er a Brandy Cask stood,
Disowning his Christ, and blaspheming his GOD;
By the Smell of the Liquor his Audience was fir'd,
But the *Spirit* being lost, their Zeal soon expir'd.

Great Search has been made in the West for Arms, but we cannot learn that any considerable Quantities have been found.

'Tis said his Majesty has given express Orders, That all Chaplins belonging to the Camp, shall attend every Day at Hidepark, to perform divine Service at 11 o Clock in the Forenoon.

From the St. James's Evening Post, May 9.

Naples. An Express from Vienna has brought Orders from his Imperial Majesty, to restore the Marquis de Rio to the Office of Post-master General of this Kingdom, of which the Commissioners of the Treasury had deprived him. The St. Charles and St. Barbara, two of our Men of War, wait only for a fair Wind to put to Sea for Genoa, there to take on Board a good Number of Galley Slaves who have been sent thither out of the Millaneze. 'Tis confirmed from Messina, that that whole Island grumbles at the Emperor's having displaced the Marquis of Monteleone, and substituted in his Room the Count de Almenara, whose Person is by no Means acceptable to them for their Vice-roy, and that the People refuse to pay the Subsidies.

London, June 9. We hear a fresh Warrant is issued against the Printer of the Free-holders Journal for his last Paper, but he being out of Town has not been apprehended.

Colonel Areskine has been twice examined since he came from Edinburgh; the Earl of Buchan his Brother is permitted to visit him.

The Dutchess of Monmouth and Balcleugh being indispos'd, is preparing to go to Chelsea for the Air.

From the St. James's Evening Post, June 12.

Warsaw, May 19. The Spy whom the Crown General sent lately into Moldavia, is returned with an Account, that he could not perceive any extraordinary Motions either of the Turks or Russians; and says only that the First are fortifying Widin; and that 3000 Spahis are newly arrived at Choczim, to work at the Fortifications.

Petersburg, May 20. Advices from Moscow, continue to remark the extraordinary Preparations the Czar is making for his Expedition towards the Caspian Sea; but as extraordinary soever as they may seem, 'tis believed he may stand in need of them, according to some private Intelligence he has received from the Ottoman Porte, which assure, That the Persians are determined vigorously to oppose this Enterprize.

Leghorn, May 24. They write from Malta, That their Cruizers in Two Months Time brought in their 12 Barbarian Rovers, among them 2 of Tunis, from 36 to 45 Guns, having on Board 617 Infidels; and that

that the new Works which are adding to the Fortifications at Malta, will put that Town in such Posture of Defence, that they need not fear the Menaces of the Ottoman Court.

Hague, June 12. Orders are sent to the Admiralities to cause an exact List to be made of all the Ships of these Provinces that have been taken by the Algerines within these two Years past, and 'tis discoursed that a Reinforcement will be sent to the Dutch Squadron in the Mediterranean.

London, June 12. 'Tis said, that the Right Honourable the Lord Polwart, who is the British Plenipotentiary at the Congress of Cambray, is to be erected a Peer of Great Britain.

Sunday last some Persons of the vilest Extraction, but passionate Sticklers for the Sovereign of the *White Rose*, were conducted to the Compter, and there, had the Honour to be installed Knights of that ignoble Order; but with this Difference from the Ceremonies used at other Installments, *viz.* That whereas the Knights of other Orders are adorned with the proper Insignia, and pay their Fees at their Admittance. The Knights of the *White Rose* were divested of their Insignia at their Entrance, and are to pay their Fees at their Exit.

There is Advice from North Britain, That a great many Dutch Busses, or large Vessels are arrived on that Coast to fish Herrings.

WYE's *Letter verbatim*, *London, June* 12, 1722.

Hague, June 16. THE last Letters from Sweden say, That all the Proposals made by the Minister of the Emperor of Russia are kept very secret: In the mean time 'tis well known, that the Articles relating to Trade between the two Nations are entirely regulated, and only a Ratification thereof is expected from his Russian Majesty. However, 'tis thought this Point was settled by Sweden with much Circumspection, to prevent giving any Jealousy to other Maritime Powers. 'Tis added, That the Muscovite Minister pretended his Master has an inviolable Friendship and Affection for the Swedish Nation, and that one Time or other they shall receive Satisfaction for the Damages done them during the last War. But these and other flattering Assurances are not very much to be depended on; and 'tis thought some private Designs are couched under them.

According to Letters from Copenhagen, the Court of Denmark is under Apprehensions that the Muscovite Minister at Stockholm is contriving a pernicious Design against them and another Country not named.

'Tis insinuate, as tho' the Discovery of the Plot in England much embarasses the Projects of two other Courts; which however are not suspected to have a Hand in it, and the Court of Great Britain is satisfied with the Assurances given on that Subject.

They write from Vienna of the 30th past, That Prince Eugene notified that Day to the Envoy of Bavaria, the Emperor's Consent to the Marriage of one of the Archdutchesses with the Electoral Prince of Bavaria. That new Troubles being apprehended in Italy, his Imperial Majesty has given Orders to settle the Rout for the March of the German Troops which are to go into the Mantuan and thence to Tuscany.

Amongst other Demands which the States of Hungary are to make in the Diet, is the Restitution of the Churches, to the Number of 300, that have been taken from them during the present Emperor's Reign.

Count Starremberg, who is appointed Envoy to the Court of Great Britain, is to tarry in Holland for new Instructions, before he proceeds thither, by reason his Britannic Majesty is not expected this Summer in Germany.

Yesterday about 11 a clock the King and Prince came on Horseback to Hide Park, and reviewed the 3 Regiments of Foot Guards: Afterwards his Majesty

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and his Royal Highneſs dined with the Earl of Cadogan in his Tent, and ſeveral Perſons of Honour and Diſtinction; amongſt them, the Right Honourable Robert Walpole, Eſq; had the Honour to dine with his Majeſty.

On Sunday laſt died Mynheer Van-hulſe, Eſq; late Clerk of the Robes under the Earl of Cadogan. The ſame Day alſo died Mr. John Grigsby, who in the Time of the late vile Management, was chief Accomptant to the South Sea Company.

Letters this Day from Boſton in New England adviſe, That the General Aſſembly had paſſed a Biſl to prevent the Spreading of the Small Pox by way of Inoculation.

On Saturday-night laſt one Mr. Millet was committed to Newgate, for inſerting in his News-paper fictitious Letters, ſaid to be writ by Mr. Hutchinſon to the late Earl of Sunderland, containing very groſs Reflections on the Government, and particularly the Miniſtry, who were ſtiled therein *Vile, &c.* And on Sunday there appeared in this City Perſons wearing White Roſes, for which 4 of them were committed to the Compter.

There is an Account from Gloceſter, That ſeveral Perſons have been taken up there, for defacing his Majeſty's Statue, by breaking off one of the Arms thereof.

Laſt Saturday a Meſſenger was ſent Expreſs to Mr. Stenhope at the Court of Madrid, and to the Commanding Officer at Gibraltar.

Laſt Saturday died a Grandſon of the Right Honourable the Lord Harcourt. The ſame Day Mr. Baron Gilbert took his Seat in the Court of Exchequer.

Yeſterday the Cauſe in the Court of Chancery, betwixt the Lord Lechmere, Plaintiff, and Eraſmus Lewis, Defendant, about an Eſtate of about 400 *L.* a year, which the Latter alledged he had ſold to the Plaintiff at 40 Years Purchaſe, was determined in his Favours.

The Regiments of Colonels Montague and Clayton are arrived from Scotland, and encamped on Salisbury Plain.

The General Court of the S. S. Company, which was appointed for the 15th, is put off to the 19th Inſtant.

This Day the Eaſt India Company's Sale of Goods ended, and amounted to 714800 *L.*

This Day at Noon, South Sea Stock was 91 7 8ths. Bank 140½. African 13 1 qr. Royal Exchange Aſſurance 5 7 8ths. London Aſſurance 5 3 qrs. York Buildings 22.

Edinburgh, June 18. We hear, that a complete Collection of all the Proteſts entred laſt Seſſions of Parliament, are to be ſold in this City.

Haddingtoun, June 15th, 1722.

Beſt Wheat, 8 *L.* 10 *ſh.*	2d *Ditto*, 8 *L.* 00 *ſh.*	3d *Ditto*, 7 *L.* 10 *ſh.*
Beſt Bear, 5 *L.* 12 *ſh.*	2d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 06 *ſh.*	3d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 00 *ſh.*
Beſt Oats, 6 *L.* 00 *ſh.*	2d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 14 *ſh.*	3d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 00 *ſh.*
Beſt Peaſe, 6 *L.* 10 *ſh.*	2d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 06 *ſh.*	3d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 00 *ſh.*

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE *Meadow called* Straiton's *Meadow, lying near the City of* Edinburgh, *to the* South *of it; containing about Fifty five Acres of improveable Ground, commodiouſly Situate, and having a large Houſe and Brewary built thereupon: It to be ſet in Tack for a long Term of Years, to commence from* Martimals *next. Such as have a Mind to take a Leaſe of the ſaid Ground, may ſee the Conditions in the Hands of* John Dinn *at the Town Council-chamber, and will find the Magiſtrats ready to treat with them. N. B.* Bruntsfield-links *are to be ſet at the ſame Time*

*** That the Voluntar Roup of the Lands and *Barony* of *Mountwhany* with the Manſion Houſe, *&c.* formerly advertiſed to have been upon the 1ſt of *May*; is adjourned to the 20th of *June*, betwixt 2 and 3 in the Afternoon; in the Houſe of *Patrick Herdman* Vintner in *Edinburgh*.